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## **The Nursery 1737-1768**

(Servants of George, Prince of Wales listed to 1749, those to Princes William and Henry to 1760, when they received their own establishments)

### **Preceptor to Prince George 1744-c. 1750**

In 1745 the preceptor to Prince George made £500 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. Chamberlayne [1745] II iii, 243; RA EB 30, p. 22.

1744    8 Oct.        Ayscough, F.

### **Sub-preceptor to Prince George and the Other Children 1747-?**

By 1751 the sub-preceptor is listed as only serving George, Prince of Wales at £250 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 22.

1747    4 Dec.        Jung, J. H.

### **Page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George 1739-c. 1749**

By 1741 the page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George made £50 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. Chamberlayne [1741] II iii, 263.

1739    17 July        Smith, G.

### **Page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George and Princess Augusta 1748-1751**

1748    1 Jan.        Eiser, J.

1750    10 Jan.       Galliez, P.

### **Page of the Bedchamber to Prince George 1743-1745**

1743    1 May        Pavonarius, F.

### **Pages of the Backstairs to Prince George 1745-c. 1750**

By 1745 a single page of the backstairs to Prince George made £80 per annum. Soon after, their number rose to two.

1. Chamberlayne [1745] II iii, 243.

1745	19 Dec.	Ramus, N.
1745	19 Dec.	Vogler, H.
1748	1 Jan.	Ernst, F.

### **Governess to Princess Augusta 1738-?; c. 1752-?**

1738	Apr.	Herbert, --
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By 1752		Pitt, --
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### **Page of the Presence Chamber to Princess Augusta c. 1751-?**

There were two pages of the Presence Chamber in 1751 at £70 per annum (£40 in salary £30 in boardwages).<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 22.

By 1751	Gailliez, P.
By 1751	Eiser, J.

### **Lady of the Bedchamber to Princess Augusta and (to 1759) Princess Elizabeth 1752-1764**

The lady of the Bedchamber to the Princesses Augusta and Elizabeth made £300 per annum. Two such officers served Princess Augusta from 1760. The position was terminated in 1764 on the marriage of Princess Augusta to the Duke of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. [31].

1752	31 Mar.	Tankerville, Countess of
1760	Nov.	Stuart, Lady S.

### **Woman of the Bedchamber to Princess Augusta c. 1748-1751**

By 1748, the woman of the Bedchamber was established at £100 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. Miede [1748] p. 142.<sup>1</sup>

By 1748                      Goodricke, A.

### **Dressers to Princess Augusta 1739-1764**

By 1741 the dresser to Lady Augusta made £100 per annum. By 1748 there were two such officers at £100 per annum apiece. By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751, the second dresser was reduced to £70 per annum. The position was terminated in 1764 on the marriage of Princess Augusta to the Duke of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel.<sup>1</sup>

1. Chamberlayne [1741] II iii, 263; *ibid.* [1748] II iii, 279; EB 30, p. 62. EB 30, p. 22, dated 1751 gives two dressers at £100 apiece; but further down the page it and p. 64, undated, give two dressers at £91 5s per annum apiece. The establishment of 5 January 1755 gives two dressers, one at £100 per annum, the other at £70: *ibid.*, p. [31]

1739	1 May	de Chares, L. de P.
1743	19 Oct.	Goodricke, A.
1746	Mar.	De la Chevalerie, E.
1751	20 Sept.	Power, M.
1756	10 June	Goodricke, M.

### **Rocker to Princess Augusta 1737-?**

By 1737                      Melvil, --

### **Page and Porter of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta 1738-1745**

1738    22 Apr.              Evans, D.

### **Pages of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta c. 1751**

There were two pages of the backstairs.

By 1751	Eiser, J.
By 1751	Galliez, P.

### **Page of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta and Princess Elizabeth c. 1751-1764**

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the page of the backstairs to Princesses Augusta and Elizabeth made £70 per annum (£40 in salary, £30 in boardwages).<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62.

By 1751                      Fulling, C.

### **Page of Honour to Princess Augusta 1751-1756**

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the page of honour to Princess Augusta made £80 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, [31], 62.

1751	8 Jan.	Madan, C.
1753	5 Feb.	Osborn, H.

### **Page of the Backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry 1751-?1760**

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the two pages of the backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry made £70 per annum apiece (£40 in salary and £30 in boardwages). Transferred to Prince William's establishment c 1760.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62.

1751	15 June	Eiser, J.
1751	15 June	Higher, H.
1757	18 Dec.	Stiell, A.
By 1757		Mulcaster, W.

### **Governess to Princess Louisa and Princess Caroline c. 1762-1768**

Position probably abolished at the death of Princess Louisa in 1768.

By 1762                      Breton, M.

### **Sub-governess 1765-1768**

By 1765                      Moor, --

### **“Care of the Other Children” c. 1746-1768**

This position was probably terminated at the death of Princess Louisa in 1768.

By 1746	Herbert, --
By 1757	Clavering, M.
By 1762	Moor, -- (Princesses Louisa and Caroline)

### **Lady of the Bedchamber to the Children c. 1766-**

By 1766	Bowlby, Lady M.
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### **Dresser to Princess Louisa 1751-c. 1756**

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the dresser to Princess Louisa made £70 per annum. Subsequently, this was raised to £91 5s, but fell back to £70 by the establishment of 5 January 1755.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62, 64.

1751	26 July	D’Ance, F.
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### **Dresser c. 1765-?**

By 1765	Vatass, --
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### **Page and Porter to the Backstairs of the Young Princesses c. 1738-?**

By the establishment of Lady Day 1738, the page and porter of the backstairs to the young princesses made £30 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. Add. MSS. 37836, f. 3.

By 1738	Evans, D.
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### **Page of the Backstairs to Prince Frederick 1755-1762**

By the establishment of 5 January 1755 the page of the backstairs to Prince Frederick made £70 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. [31].

1755	8 Jan.	Trevill, H.
1755	15 July	Thompson, S.
1756	18 Dec.	Mulcaster, W

### **Page to Prince Frederick c. 1763-1765**

By 1763	Nicolai, --
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### **Nurses c. 1751-?**

By 1751 three nurses made £89 2s per annum apiece (£50 in salary and £39 2s in boardwages).<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751	Baker, S.
By 1751	L'Orphelan, E.
By 1751	Eiser, S.

### **Wet Nurse 1737-?**

Circa 1751 the wet nurse made £139 2s per annum (salary of £100 and board wages of 15s per week or £39 2s per annum).<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

1737	Aug.	Tebb, -- (to Princess Augusta)
1738	May	Smith, -- (to the new-born Prince)
1739	Mar.	Murray, E.
By 1751		Findlay, M.

### **Dry Nurse 1737-?**

1737	Aug.	Collins, --
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### **Rocker or Watcher c. 1751-?**

In 1751 the rocker made £30 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751                      Peele, S.

### **Assistants in the Nursery c. 1751-?**

Circa 1751 two assistants in the Nursery made £20 per annum apiece.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751                      Cox, S.  
By 1751                      Plimpton, A.

### **Laundress c. 1751-?**

Circa 1751, Sophia Eisner made £320 per annum (£70 in salary, £30 for laundry rent and repairs, £10 for coals to build fires, £35 for coal and candles “for Consumption of 7”, and £175 for washing for seven). Catherine Schotten received £700 for allowances. Mary Smith’s bills were paid on account.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751                      Eiser, S.  
By 1751                      Schotten, C.  
By 1751                      Smith, M. (to George, Prince of Wales)

### **Necessary Women c. 1751-?**

Circa 1751 there were two necessary women. Elizabeth Jeffreis made £85 11s per annum (£40 in salary, £29 11s in boardwages, £16 for lodging, coal and candles). Frances Coussins, also listed as nursery servant, made £30 17s (£10 in salary, £20 17s in boardwages).<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 64; see p. 22 for different figures

By 1751                      Jeffries, E.  
By 1751                      Coussins, F.

### **Reading Mistress 1751-?**

Circa 1751 the reading mistress made £100 per annum.<sup>1</sup>



1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Holt, J.

### **Writing Master 1751-1768**

Circa 1751 the writing master made £80 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751 Andrews, J.

By 1765 Bulley, --

### **Writing Master for the German Character c. 1751-?**

Circa 1751 the writing master for the German character made £50 per annum. This rose to £80 per annum by Midsummer 1751.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Ruperti, G.

### **French Master c. 1751-?**

Circa 1751 the French master made £60 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751 Bemon, J.

### **French Mistress c. 1759-1768**

By 1759 D'Ance, F.

By 1765 De la Roussiere, --

### **Drawing Master c. 1751-?**

By 1751 Morrison, G.

### **Music Master c. 1750-1768**

Circa 1751 the music master made £150 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64 [gives “Writing Master”: sic].

By 1750	St. Martini, G.
By 1750	Paradies, D.

### **Dancing Master 1751-1769**

Circa 1751 the dancing master made £100 per annum.<sup>1</sup>

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751	Desnoyer, G.
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### **Clerk of the Stables to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-1768**

By 1760	Stiell, W.
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### **Footman c. 1751-?**

By 1751	Fulling, J. C.
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